

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING CHARMINTA BROWN AS
A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN
CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR BLACK
HISTORY MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 17, 2023

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Charminta Brown is a passionate, servant leader with years of experience in higher education. Originally, a New Jersey native, she moved to Florida in 2013 to earn her Master of Science in Higher Education Administration from Florida International University and decided to make Florida her permanent home.

Ms. Brown's leadership style is one of authenticity and understanding, and her ability to connect with people has been instrumental to her success. From holding multiple student leadership roles during her undergraduate career to successfully supervising over 40 employees in her professional career, her collaborative and supportive grace makes everyone in the room feel seen and heard.

Ms. Brown seeks ways to implement innovative solutions to advocate for underrepresented demographics. In 2022, she founded Brown Joy, LLC to create positive images of Black and Brown characters to help children see Black and Brown characters represented in more dynamic positions.

She has been recognized for her work within the community. In 2022, she received the Young Professional of Osceola County Tomorrow's Leaders Today award. She also actively volunteers and serves on the Board of Directors for Poinciana Area Council, Steps Foundation, Inc., and Young Professionals of Osceola County. Ms. Brown uses her diverse experience to bridge gaps and create more opportunities for people in her community.

Her leadership has provided college students with success. During the COVID-19 pandemic, she created job opportunities for more than 20 college students qualified for federal work-study to gain professional experience while working from home. She helped award over \$50,000 in scholarships to students when serving as Valencia College's scholarships lead captain.

Ms. Brown's greatest love is for her daughter, Joy. Joy inspires her to be the best version of herself. Ms. Brown believes success comes when you show up as your true authentic self.

RECOGNIZING FARMINGTON
WATER AND SEWER'S THIRD
PLACE ACHIEVEMENT

HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 17, 2023

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of Farmington Water and Sewer on re-

ceiving third place in the Great American Water Taste Test at the National Rural Water Association's 2023 Rural Water Rally. Farmington attended in partnership with the Granite State Rural Water Association and was recognized among entries from across the nation for having the third-best tasting public water supply, thanks to their committed team at the Water and Wastewater Department. This recognition is a testament to the work of Chief Operator Chuck Tiffany and his hardworking staff composed of Steve Deinstadt, Jonathan Forbes, Jason Forbes, and John Donnelly.

Through their efforts, the Town of Farmington proudly supplies over 3,000 residents with high quality drinking water that meets or exceeds all current state and federal standards. Supplying from 250,000 to 300,000 gallons of water per day via 2 pump stations, the Farmington Water and Sewer System is uniquely qualified to handle public demands for high quality drinking water through prolonged investment in their wastewater treatment facility. The town has made considerable improvements to their facility in recent years, including a state-of-the-art Sequence Batch Reactor. This new technology allows for improved handling of all current wastewater flow while ensuring that additional flow can be handled in the years to come as the town grows.

Proactive planning and investment in public health by the Farmington Water and Sewer system will serve as a blueprint for other public water systems looking to innovate and provide their communities with safe drinking water. As the Representative for New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I commend the staff at the Farmington Water and Sewer system for their outstanding contributions to our public health and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING MRS. ROSLYN
CHATMAN AS THE WALTON
COUNTY, FLORIDA EDUCATIONAL
SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL OF
THE YEAR

HON. MATT GAETZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 17, 2023

Mr. GAETZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Mrs. Roslyn Chatman as the 2022-2023 Walton County Educational Support Professional of the Year. Since 2008, Mrs. Chatman has served the Walton County School District with exceptional passion and an unwavering commitment to serving others.

In Northwest Florida, we are fortunate to have some of the best educational support professionals in the Nation. It is recognized that the position of Paraprofessional can be taxing but can also be so rewarding. Mrs. Chatman has performed her many duties without question or hesitation and does so with an encouraging smile towards all those she encounters.

Mrs. Chatman is revered by her principal and colleagues for her positive attitude and willingness to go above and beyond the scope of her job duties. She selflessly considers the needs of both students and staff because of the immense pride she has for her school.

Her support and outreach extend far beyond the hearts and minds of her own students through her willingness to help wherever assistance is needed. Mrs. Chatman has displayed dedicated teamwork by assisting with after-school events, including Title I Nights, carnivals, and tutoring. I commend her for her steadfast willingness to serve as an example for those that matter most, the students and youth of our Nation.

For all of these admirable contributions, I am truly proud to have Mrs. Chatman as a constituent in Florida's First Congressional District.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am privileged to recognize Mrs. Roslyn Chatman for her accomplishments and her commitment to excellence, professionalism, and innovation in the Walton County School District. I thank her for her service and wish her all the best for continued success.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARK POCAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 17, 2023

Mr. POCAN. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for 7 Roll Call votes in the House on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, and for 3 Roll Call votes in the House on Thursday, February 9, 2023. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner:

YEA on Roll Call No. 110, McGovern Amendment No. 1 to H.R. 185; NAY on Roll Call No. 111, Boebert Amendment No. 2 to H.R. 185; YEA on Roll Call No. 112, Golden Amendment No. 3 to H.R. 185; YEA on Roll Call No. 113, Rose Amendment No. 4 to H.R. 185; YEA on Roll Call No. 114, Torres Amendment No. 5 to H.R. 185; YEA on Roll Call No. 115, Motion to Recommit H.R. 185;

NAY on Roll Call No. 116, Passage of H.R. 185, "To terminate the requirement imposed by the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for proof of COVID-19 vaccination for foreign travelers, and for other purposes;"

YEA on Roll Call No. 117, H. Res. 104, "Condemning the Chinese Communist Party's use of a high-altitude surveillance balloon over United States territory as a brazen violation of United States sovereignty;"

NAY on Roll Call No. 118, H.J. Res. 24, "Disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Local Resident Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2022;" and

NAY on Roll Call No. 119, H.J. Res. 26, "Disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Revised Criminal Code Act."

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